

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8237

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS/ SCUL, YG, US  
SUBJECT: INVITATION TO STEVE MCQUEEN

REF STATE 04769

1. IN LETTER DATED JANUARY 11, AMBASSADOR NOTIFIED  
GOS PROTOCOL CHIEF THAT STEVE MCQUEEN DECLINED INVITATION  
TO PARTICIPATE IN DAKAR 6-HOUR AUTOMOBILE RACE. MESSAGE  
WAS DELIVERED AS SET FORTH IN REFTEL.

2. AMBASSADOR HAS NOW RECEIVED LETTER DATED FEBRUARY 8  
FROM AMBASSADOR LEYE, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, TEXT OF WHICH  
FOLLOWS:

DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR

IN ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER DATED JANUARY  
11, WE WOULD LIKE FIRST OF ALL TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
FOR ACTING AS GO-BETWEEN FOR US WITH MR. MCQUEEN. WE  
HAVE NOTED WITH REGRET THAT HE CANNOT PARTICIPATE AS  
A DRIVER IN THE PLANNED RACES AT DAKAR WHICH WE  
ARE ORGANIZING.

HOWEVER, IN CASE HIS CALENDAR WOULD PERMIT IT, WE  
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WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MR. MCQUEEN BE ONE OF OUR  
GUESTS OF HONOR. THEREFORE, WE WOULD LIKE TO  
ASK YOU TO BE KIND ENOUGH TO TRANSMIT TO HIM OUR  
INVITATION FOR A STAY IN DAKAR ON THE OCCASION OF  
THE FORTHCOMING "H HEURES" PLANNED FOR THE 5TH AND  
6 OF MARCH 1977. HIS AIRPLANE TICKET NEW YORK/  
DAKAR/NEW YORK AND HIS HOTEL EXPENSES WOULD BE PAID

BY US. CERTAINLY THE SENEGLAEESE SPORTS AUTOMOBILE  
ENTHUSIASTS WOULD BE EXTREMELY HAPPY TO HAVE HIM  
HERE.

EXCUSE US FOR BOTHERING YOU AGAIN BECAUSE WE KNOW HOW  
BUSY YOU ARE. WITH WARM BEST WISHES, SINCERELY YOURS,  
CHEIKH LEYE, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE.

3. AMBASSADOR WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S TRANS-  
MITTING ABOVE MESSAGE TO STEVE MCQUEEN AND INFORMING  
US OF HIS REPSONSE.  
AGGREY

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